To: Erica Gaddis[egaddis@utah.gov] From: Bahrman, Sarah Sent: Wed 8/12/2015 3:43:48 AM Subject: RE: Need more information I have not heard that info. We have a new website (in addition to the OSC website) at http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine. That has a link to the press release that went out today, which didn't discuss the location of the plume. The update from yesterday (8/10), also on this website, says: "Aerial and ground reconnaissance indicates that the plume associated with the Gold King Mine release has dissipated downstream, and there is no leading edge of contamination visible in downstream sections of the San Juan River or Lake Powell." I'll check in with emergency response in the morning and hopefully have more info for you on your 8am call. Please let me know if that timing doesn't work for you and I can try to get more info still tonight. **Thanks** Sarah E. Bahrman | Acting Director, Water Program | U.S. Environmental Protection Agency -Region 8 (p) 303.312.6243 | (c) 303.903.8515 | (f) 877.876.9101 From: Erica Gaddis [mailto:egaddis@utah.gov] **Sent:** Tuesday, August 11, 2015 6:46 PM To: Bahrman, Sarah

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Alan received word via email from Department of Public Safety that says the EPA is saying the plume is still in New Mexico and about 100 miles away from Utah. We need to verify that information before we send out a news advisory that says our water quality tests suggest it is in Utah.

We will address this tomorrow morning.

Donna

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